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4. ([] - JMM) [] and I met with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, whom we briefed on the planned White House announcement regarding the intelligence community. Mr. Braswell foresaw no major problems but inquired as to how this would affect our budget process and remarked the Director's new responsibilities would expose him to more congressional inquiry and interest. He asked whether the Director would be called upon to defend the entire community budget to which we replied that it was too soon to say, but presumably he would at least be consulted on this subject.

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5. ([] - JMM) Met with Representative Frank Bow whom I briefed on the upcoming White House announcement regarding the intelligence community. Mr. Bow seemed to think this was a constructive development, but remarked the Director would come under increasing pressure from Congress for an accounting on the activities of the community.

Mr. Bow asked about the reactions abroad to the U.N. action on China representation. I said I would see what we could pull together and let him know next week.

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6. ([] - JMM) Met with Senator Milton Young whom I briefed on the upcoming White House announcement regarding the intelligence community. Senator Young generally favored the President's action, but noted that in view of the drastic cuts being imposed on other intelligence agencies, that the Director, in view of his new authorities, might be blamed for engineering these. I said I didn't think this likely, since other members of the community should be aware of the congressional economy drive, which preceded any decisions regarding the intelligence community.

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7. ([] - JMM) Met with Senator Peter Dominick whom I briefed on the upcoming White House announcement regarding the intelligence community. He seemed to think this was constructive but he would be interested in knowing how the community budget will be handled beyond what has already appeared in the announcement.

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8. ([] - JMM) Met with Dorothy Fosdick, Staff Director, Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, whom I briefed on the White House announcement regarding the intelligence community.

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9. ([] - JMM) [] and I met with William Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, whom we briefed on the upcoming White House announcement regarding the intelligence community. Mr. Woodruff commented that this seemed a forward step.

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10. ([] - GLC) I talked with Jim Woolsey, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, and Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Committee staff, about possible language for the Joint Explanatory Statement of the Committee on Conference on the Military Procurement Act. The statement pertaining to Section 505 will indicate that it is not the intent of the conferees to jeopardize or reduce funds available for the operation of the embassy in Laos, or for those normal and usual expenses of the embassy as would be incurred in the absence of any military, paramilitary, or economic assistance programs. Both Woolsey and Slatinshek said the Committee staffs would meet this afternoon to decide on the precise final wording.

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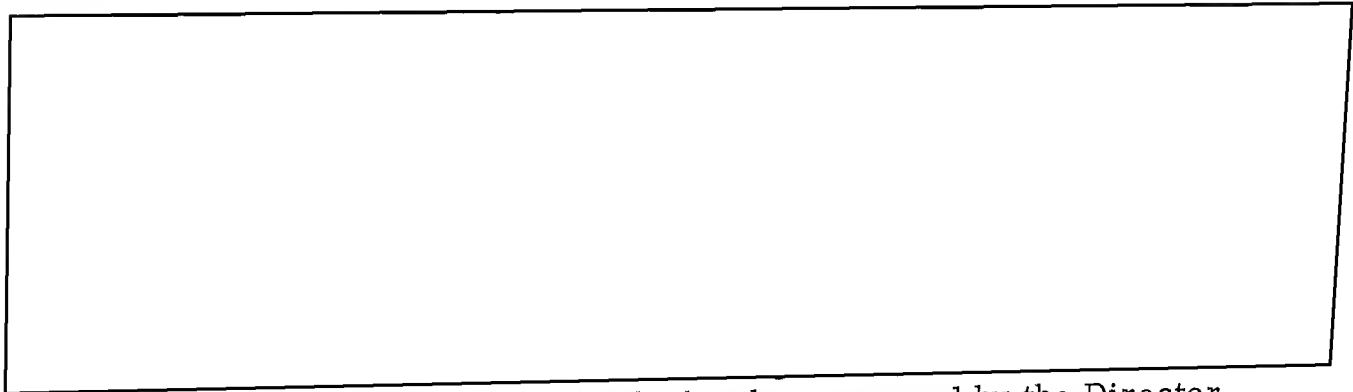
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1. ([] - JGO) Received a call from Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who told me that he has a draft of language for the conference report and wants to insure that it meets our needs as much as possible. I told him that Mr. Maury and [] were on the Hill and I would have one of them meet with him as soon as possible.

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Mr. Clarke told me also that he has been assured by the Director, OMB, and the Comptroller, DOD, that funds will be made available to the Agency covering the [] item in the Agency budget as soon as the basic legislation is approved. I reminded Mr. Clarke that Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, had told me during the week that Don Brazier, DOD, had been most emphatic in talking to Mr. Preston that day that the [] would be covered by an inclusion in a supplemental request for funds.

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3. ([] - JMM) The Director met with Senators Ellender, Stennis, and Margaret Chase Smith and Representative Mahon whom he briefed on the White House announcement regarding the intelligence community. See Memo for the Record.

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